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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Saturday, 28 September 1996

SECURITY COUNCIL

3.30 p.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

The situation in the occupied Arab territories (S/1996/790, S/1996/791, S/1996/792)

4 p.m.	3698th meeting (resumed)	Security Council Chamber

Monday, 30 September 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

10 a.m.	14th PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Bolivia

Namibia

Indonesia

Benin

Czech Republic

Yemen

Cuba *

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* Time permitting.

3 p.m.	15th PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Albania

Turkey

Australia

Tunisia

Honduras

Rwanda

Estonia *

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* Time permitting.

Committees

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 11.30 a.m.	7th meeting	Conference Room 2

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization [150] (A/51/33 and A/51/317)

11.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	7th meeting (continued)	Conference Room 2

Human resources management: reform of the internal system of justice of the United Nations Secretariat [120]

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	8th meeting	Conference Room 2

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization [150] (A/51/33 and A/51/317)

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Employment of retirees
2. Membership of the International Civil Service Commission
3. Progress report on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION

ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Monday, 30 September 1996

WESTERN EUROPEAN AND OTHER STATES

9.15 a.m.-10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

ORGANIZATION OF THE ISLAMIC CONFERENCE:

Committee on Afghanistan

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 1

Contact Group on Kashmir

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 1

MEETING OF FOREIGN MINISTERS OF THE ARAB GROUP

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES

(Annual ministerial meeting)

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

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The Ministerial Meeting (closed) of the International Conference of the New and Restored Democracies will be held on Monday, 30 September 1996, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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Commemorative meeting

Keeping the Promise

A commemorative meeting, organized by the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), on the "Review of Progress on the Goals Set at the World Summit for Children" will take place on Monday, 30 September 1996, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The President of the General Assembly will preside over the meeting, which will be addressed by the Secretary-General, ministerial level representatives of the six Summit initiator countries (Canada, Egypt, Mali, Mexico, Pakistan and Sweden) and the Executive Director of UNICEF. The meeting is open to all delegations and special guests. All attendees are kindly requested to be seated by 8.50 a.m.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Tuesday, 1 October 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

10 a.m. 16th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Romania

Lao People's Democratic Republic

Monaco

Address by His Excellency Mr. Mendsaikhany Enkhsaikhan, Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Mongolia

Congo

Lebanon

Oman *

Burundi *

3 p.m. 17th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate [9]:

United Arab Emirates

Côte d'Ivoire

Saudi Arabia

Mauritania

Jamaica

Libyan Arab Jamahiriya

Armenia *

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* Time permitting.

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

3 p.m	2nd meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

SIXTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	9th meeting	Conference Room 2

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	

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SECOND COMMITTEE

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate, which is scheduled to begin on Monday, 14 October 1996, at 3 p.m., as well as for the debates on all other items allocated to the Second Committee, beginning on Thursday, 17 October 1996, at 3 p.m., are requested to contact the secretariat of the Second Committee (Ms. Nicole Pouilleul, tel.: 212-963-5700, fax: 212-963-5935).

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THIRD COMMITTEE

The lists of speakers for all items allocated to the Third Committee are open for inscription by delegations. The Committee will begin its substantive work on Monday, 14 October 1996, at 3 p.m. sharp, with agenda item 100 (Social development). Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Secretary of the Committee (Ms. Kate Starr Newell, tel.: 212-963-4248, fax: 212-963-5935).

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SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will hold its 2nd meeting on Tuesday, 1 October 1996, at 3 p.m. sharp in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, for the purpose of electing its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider its organization of work (A/C.4/51/L.1).

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate relating to decolonization items (A/C.4/ 51/L.1), which is scheduled to begin on the same day, are kindly requested to notify the Secretariat (Room S-3380, tel. 963-0388).

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The 177th meeting of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country will be convened on Thursday, 3 October 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8. Delegations are encouraged to request the formal inscription, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, of specific items they would like to raise in the Committee, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee (see A/50/26, paragraphs 5 and 6). Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Secretary or the Chairman of the Committee (ext. 3-5380, room S-3420D), any relevant documentation or written statements in advance of the meeting.

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SECURITY COUNCIL

The 70th (closed) meeting of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 748 (1992) concerning the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya will be held on Tuesday, 1 October 1996, at 3.30 p.m.* in Conference Room 7.

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* The Chairman of the Committee will give an oral briefing to interested delegations of the United Nations in Conference Room 7, immediately following the meeting.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Committee on Non-governmental Organizations will meet on Wednesday, 2 October 1996, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1 to take up outstanding matters.

Prior to this meeting, the Committee will hold an informal (closed) meeting on Tuesday, 1 October 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

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Open-ended consultations on the outstanding issues before the resumed session of the Economic and Social Council will take place from 7 to 9 October 1996. The conference room will be announced.

The resumed substantive session of 1996 of the Economic and Social Council will be convened on 10 October, and from 13 to 14 November 1996. The provisional agenda for the resumed session is contained in document E/1996/93. The following items will be taken up as follows:

10 October 1996

1. Social, humanitarian and human rights questions: reports of subsidiary bodies, conferences and related questions: Human rights questions [5 (d)]

13-14 November 1996

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [1]

   Selection of themes for the High-level and Coordination segments for the 1997 substantive session of the Council

2. Economic and environmental questions: reports of subsidiary bodies, conferences and related questions: follow-up to General Assembly resolution 50/106: business and development [6 (i)]

3. Non-governmental organizations [10]

4. Programme and related questions in the economic, social and related fields [11]

5. Implementation of General Assembly resolution 50/227: "Further measures for the restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields" [13]

6. Elections [14]

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Executive Board of UNDP and UNFPA

The fourth meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme ands the United Nations Fund for Population will be held on Monday, 7 October 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

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Prepared texts for distribution
in the meeting room and to the press

In order to allow distribution of prepared texts of speeches made in the plenary meetings and in the Main Committees of the General Assembly to delegations, specialized agencies, observers, interpreters, record-writers and press officers, 350 copies are required. Those copies should be given in advance of delivery of the speech to the Conference officer, in order to help the Secretariat to provide the best possible service. For distribution in the General Assembly Hall, texts should be delivered to the documents counter on the left side of the hall.

In order to facilitate press coverage of statements made in plenary meetings and in the Main Committees of the General Assembly, an additional 150 copies are required for distribution to accredited correspondents in the press area. Those copies should be delivered in advance of the speech to the Press Documents Counter, Room S-390. As soon as received, the availability of the texts will be announced through the press paging system by the Correspondents Liaison Unit, Department of Public Information.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be a closed meeting of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Committee on Wednesday, 9 October 1996, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 8.

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There will be a closed meeting of Commonwealth Permanent Representatives on Wednesday, 9 October 1996, at 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

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Meeting of co-sponsors

There will be a meeting of the co-sponsors and interested delegations on the draft resolution on the nuclear-weapon free Southern Hemisphere on Wednesday, 2 October 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

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Presentation

Delegates, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend an informal presentation by Mr. Alfredo Sfeir-Younis, Special Representative of the World Bank to the United Nations, on Wednesday, 2 October 1996, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7. The presentation will include Mr. James D. Wolfensohn's presentation at the annual meetings of the World Bank (by video) and a brief discussion of the World Bank's Annual Report for 1996. Copies of the report will be available.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Friday, 27 September 1996

SECURITY COUNCIL

3698th meeting

The situation in the occupied Arab territories

Letter dated 26 September 1996 from the Permanent Representative of Saudi Arabia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/1996/790)

Letter dated 26 September 1996 from the Permanent Representative of Egypt to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/1996/792)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Algeria, Argentina, Australia, Bahrain, Brazil, Canada, Costa Rica, Cuba, Djibouti, India, Ireland, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Israel, Japan, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Mauritania, Morocco, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, the Sudan, the Syrian Arab Republic, Tunisia, Turkey, the United Arab Emirates and Yemen, at their request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to a letter dated 27 September 1996 from the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations (S/1996/797) requesting an invitation to Mr. Farouk Kaddumi, Head of the Observer Delegation of Palestine to the fifty-first session of the United Nations General Assembly and Head of the Political Department of the Palestine Liberation Organization, to participate in the debate in accordance with the Council's previous practice. In accordance with the rules of procedure and the previous practice in this regard, the President, with the consent of the Council, invited the Head of the Observer Delegation of Palestine to the fifty-first session of the United Nations General Assembly and Head of the Political Department of the Palestine Liberation Organization to participate in the debate.

In response to the request contained in a letter dated 27 September 1996 from the Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to the Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.

In response to the request contained in a letter dated 27 September 1996 from the Permanent Representative of Guinea to the United Nations (S/1996/799), the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to His Excellency Mr. Engin A. Ansay, Permanent Observer of the Organization of the Islamic Conference to the United Nations.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a statement by the Head of the Observer Delegation of Palestine to the fifty-first session of the United Nations General Assembly and Head of the Political Department of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

The Minister for Foreign Affairs of Israel made a statement.

The Council also heard statements by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Egypt, the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs of the United Kingdom, the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation, France, Indonesia and Chile, the Vice-Chancellor and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Germany and the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of Poland and Honduras.

The meeting was suspended.

Upon the resumption of the meeting, the Council heard statements by the representatives of Italy, China, the United States, the Republic of Korea, Botswana, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Guinea-Bissau.

Statements were made by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Algeria, speaking in his capacity as Chairman of the Council of Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the League of Arab States, the First Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Kuwait, the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Malaysia, the Minister of State for Foreign Affairs of Senegal, the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of Tunisia and Canada, the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Yemen, the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Australia, the Minister of State for Foreign Affairs of Jordan, the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Syrian Arab Republic, the Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Morocco, the Secretary-General of the People's Committee for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Sudan, the Minister of State for Foreign Affairs of Oman, the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of Bahrain and the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, International Commerce and Worship of Argentina and the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the United Arab Emirates and Mauritania.

Statements were also made by the representatives of Turkey, Norway, Japan, Pakistan and Ireland (speaking on behalf of the European Union and Associated States Bulgaria, Hungary, Lithuania, Malta, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia which aligned themselves with the statement, as well as Iceland and Liechtenstein which also aligned themselves with the statement).

The Assistant Minister for Foreign Affairs of Saudi Arabia made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Djibouti and Lebanon.

In accordance with the decision taken earlier at the meeting, the Council heard a statement under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure by the Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.

In accordance with the decision taken earlier at the meeting, the Council heard a statement under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure by His Excellency Mr. Ansay.

The Council then heard statements by the representatives of Cuba, India, Costa Rica and Brazil.

The meeting was suspended.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

12th plenary meeting

Continuation of the general debate [9]

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Halldór Asgrimsson, Minister for Foreign Affairs and External Trade of Iceland, and Her Excellency Ms. Tarja Kaarina Halonen, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Finland.

His Excellency Dato Seri Dr. Mahathir Mohamad, Prime Minister of Malaysia, addressed the General Assembly.

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr.Ro-Myung Gong, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea, H.E. Dr. Joseph Cassar, Chairman of the Delegation of Malta, H.E. Mr. Jaime Gama, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Portugal, and H.E. Prof. André Salifou, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs of the Niger.

13th plenary meeting

Continuation of the general debate [9]

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Sir Robin Gray, Minister of State of New Zealand, H.E. Mr. Theodorus Pangalos, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Greece, H.E. Mr. Abel Matutes, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Spain, H.E. Mr. Angel Gurria, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Mexico, H.E. Mr. U Ohn Gyaw, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Myanmar, H.E. Mr. Ramon Ernesto Gonzales Giner, Minister for Foreign Affairs of El Salvador, and H.E. Mr. Edward A. Laing, Permanent Representative of Belize to the United Nations.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Indonesia, the United Kingdom, the Republic of Korea and Portugal.

Committees

SIXTH COMMITTEE 6th meeting

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization [150]

Statements were made by the representatives of China, Indonesia, Venezuela, Mexico, Malawi, Turkey, the Czech Republic and Brazil.

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Convention on the Rights of the Child

COMMITTEE ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD
Thirteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

FRIDAY, 27 SEPTEMBER 1996

323rd meeting

Consideration of reports of States parties [4]

The Committee concluded its consideration of the initial report of Nigeria (CRC/C/8/Add.26).

In accordance with the Committee's provisional rules of procedure, representatives of the State party were present at the meeting and replied to questions raised and observations made by members of the Committee.

324th (closed) meeting

Consideration of reports of States parties [4]

General discussion on "The child and the media" [6]

Methods of work of the Committee, including guidelines for periodic reports [8]

The Committee considered these items in closed session.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations, done at Vienna on 18 April 1961

Accession: Turkmenistan (25 September 1996)*

Vienna Convention on Consular Relations, done at Vienna on 24 April 1963

Accession: Turkmenistan (25 September 1996)*

Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 10 September 1996

Signatures: Albania, Angola, Benin, Burkina Faso, Liechtenstein, New Zealand and Ukraine (27 September 1996)

Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal, concluded at Basel on 22 March 1989

Accession: Turkmenistan (25 September 1996)*

United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa, opened for signature at Paris on 14 October 1994

Ratification: Chad (27 September 1996)*

Entry into force of the Convention: 26 December 1996, in accordance with article 36 (1) of the Convention

* The date of receipt of the relevant documents.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of September has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Burkina Faso
H.E. Mr. Gaëtan Rimwanguiya Ouedraogo

Asian States:
Kuwait
H.E. Mr. Mohammad Abulhassan

Eastern European States:
Latvia
H.E. Mr. Aivars Baumanis

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Honduras
H.E. Mr. Gerardo Martinez Blanco

Western European and Other States:
Andorra
H.E. Mr. Juli Minoves-Triquell

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